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VIRGINIA GAZETTE.

With the freſheſt Advices, Foreign and Domeſtic.

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ON the Trial of Miſs Blandy, who is to be executed on the 3d of April next, for poiſoning her Father, Mr. Littleton (her late Father's Clerk) depoſed, that he had been out of Henley ſome Time to viſit his Father in Warwickſhire, and on his Return on Saturday Morning the 10th of Auguſt laſt, he breakfaſted with his Maſter, the Deceaſed, and the Priſoner, and found his Maſter much diſordered; that Miſs poured out a Diſh of Tea for her Father, which he diſliked, and ſaid to her, "There is too "much black Powder in it;" upon which ſhe ſeemed confuſed, and to have a Tremor upon her, and went out of the Room; that the Deceaſed then took the Cup with the Tea, and poured it into the Cat's Baſon, that ſtood in the Window, and went away, and would eat no more Breakfaſt; that then Miſs came into the Room to this Witneſs, and aſked him what her Father had ſaid, and he told her, that her Father had thrown the Tea into the Cat's Baſon; and that he had left the Room, ſeemingly diſpleaſed, and would not eat any more Breakfaſt, but that he had ſaid nothing. That the next Day he, this Witneſs, went to Church, but Miſs did not; and when he came home, Miſs aſked him to take a Walk with her and her Father in the Garden. As they went into the Garden, ſhe put a Letter into his Hand, and deſired him to direct it as uſual to Capt. Cranſton, and put it into the Poſt; but he hearing that his Maſter was poiſoned, and Miſs ſuſpected, he broke the Letter open, read it, and then carried it to his Maſter, who ſaid, 'Ah! my poor Love ſick Girl; but what will 'not a Woman do for a Man that ſhe loves!' Then the Letter was produced, and read as follows:

"Dear Willy,

"My Father is ſo bad, that I have only Time to tell you, that if you "do not hear from me ſoon again, do not be frighten'd; I am better my "ſelf; and leaſt any Accident ſhould happen to your Letters, take Care "what you write. My ſincere Compliments.

"I am ever your's."

Robert Harman was called and aſked, whether his young Miſtreſs deſired him to go away with her after his Maſter was dead?

Harman ſaid, Miſs Blandy aſked him if he had got any other Maſter, and he ſaid no; and then ſhe aſked him if he would live along with her, and he alſo ſaid no; that then ſhe aſked if he would go away along with her, if he would, it ſhould be worth 500l. to him. He then aſked her where they were to go, and ſhe ſaid to London; he aſked her then if they were to go to the North from thence, and ſhe replied, No, perhaps to the Weſt; and aſking again if they were to go by Sea or Land, ſhe ſaid, Perhaps by Sea and Land too.

Mrs. Lane (a Gentlewoman who happened to be paſſing by at the Time Miſs Blandy had taken Shelter at the Angel from the Mob) depoſed, That ſhe went into the Angel to her Huſband, who was there, and Miſs Blandy with him; that ſhe heard her Huſband ſay to the Priſoner, when ſhe firſt went in, 'If you are innocent, you will be acquitted; and if you 'are guilty, you will be puniſhed according to Law.' That upon this, Miſs Blandy ſtamped upon the Floor, in a ſeeming Agony, and ſaid, 'Oh that damn'd Villain, Cranſton! my Honour to him has been my 'Ruin.' Then turning about, after a ſhort Pauſe, ſaid, 'But why do I 'blame him? I am more to blame; it was I adminiſtered it, and knew 'the Conſequence.'

Mr. Lane depoſed to the ſame Purpoſe.

Richard Fiſher (who was on the Coroner's Inqueſt, and brought Miſs Blandy from the Angel to her Father's Houſe) depoſed, That on being aſked by her what could be done for her, he anſwer'd, if ſhe could produce any Thing that would fix it upon Cranſton, poſſibly ſhe might be ſaved; that upon this, in ſome Agony ſhe anſwered, 'I am afraid I have 'deſtroyed that which would have hanged that Villain; but here take 'this Key, ſearch my Drawers, and ſee if you can find any Papers that 'will be of Service.' That there being a Gentlewoman there who better knew the Houſe than himſelf, he declined going, and deſired her to ſearch; that ſhe did, accordingly, but could find nothing of Conſequence. ——Being aſked by the Priſoner's Council, if he believed the Priſoner had any Intention to off, and if ſhe was not very ready to come back with him from the Angel, he anſwered, ſhe was very ready to come back, and deſired him to protect her from the Mob, and that it did not appear to him ſhe had any Deſign to make an Eſcape.

The other Witneſſes on Behalf of the Crown were, Dr. Addington and Dr. Lewis, Mr. Norton the Apothecary, Mrs. Mountnay, Suſannah Gunnell the Chamber-maid, and Elizabeth Binfield the Cook-maid; and here the Council for the Crown, tho' they had many more Witneſſes to call, reſted their Proof againſt the Priſoner, who was thereupon called to make her Defence, which ſhe did to the following Purport:

"My Lords,

"In my unhappy Situation, if I ſhould expreſs myſelf in any Terms that may be thought improper, I hope I ſhall be forgiven; for it will not be, I aſſure your Lordſhips, with any Deſign to offend. My Lords, ſome Time before my Father's Death, I unhappily contracted an Acquaintance with Capt. Cranſton. This gave Offence to ſome particular Perſons, that wiſhed not well to the Repoſe of our Family; theſe Perſons having firſt prepoſſeſſed my Father, they were continually filling his Head with idle Stories, to my Prejudice; and, unhappily for me, they ſo far ſucceeded, that from one of the moſt indulgent Parents, he grew very peeviſh and diſtruſtful. I am extremely paſſionate, which I muſt own as a Fault, and when I have found my Father without any Cauſe angry with me, about Capt. Cranſton, I might let fall an unguarded Expreſſion, but never to wiſh any Injury to his Perſon, much leſs to deſire his Death; but, on the contrary, I did all that was in my Power for his Recovery, while I was permitted to be at Liberty to attend him in his laſt Illneſs, as the Witneſſes againſt me have not denied. My Lords, the firſt Step my Enemies took againſt me in my Father's Illneſs, was to perſuade him to forbid me his Preſence; then having him entirely to themſelves, I was ordered to be cloſe confined to my Chamber, my Buckles and my Garters were taken from me, nor was I permitted to have a Knife to cut my Victuals, inſinuating that I might be wicked enough to deſtroy myſelf. Thus confined, my Lords, and guarded by Men, I was not permitted to have a Woman to attend me, to do any Offices proper to be done by my own Sex. My Father being dangerouſly ill, myſelf confined to my Chamber, accuſed of being the Cauſe of that Illneſs, and not permitted to ſee my Father to juſtify myſelf, or ſee that he had proper Care taken of him; judge, my Lords, how great muſt be my Diſtreſs! I was almoſt diſtracted.

When my Father was dead my Guard left me, and I was at Liberty to go where I would. The next Day after my Father's Death, I was told his Body was to be opened, and being ill with Confinement in the Room, and not being able to bear the Shock of being in the Houſe during that Operation, I took a Walk over Henley Bridge to take the Air, but in my Way I was inſulted, a Mob raiſed about me, ſo that I was obliged to go into the Angel, a Publick-Houſe, on the other Side the Bridge, for Shelter. When Mr. Fiſher came to me I deſired his Protection, and to go home with him, which I did. When I was ſent to Oxford-Caſtle, my Lords, the Malice of my Enemies could not reſt here, the numberleſs Calumnies that have been invented, and induſtriouſly reported abroad, do abundantly ſhew; and particularly a Pamphlet was publiſhed, with the Affidavits taken before the Commoner, and all the aggravating Circumſtances of this melancholy Affair, calculated to inflame the Minds of the Public, and thereby prepoſſeſs them againſt me. It has been ſaid, that I am a wretched Drunkard, a prophane Swearer, that I never went to Chapel, contemned all holy Ordinances, and in ſhort gave myſelf up to all Kinds of Immorality. Quite the reverſe of this, my Lords, is my true Character. I am rather abſtemious than otherwiſe in Drinking; prophane or immoral Diſcourſes are my Averſion; and for my Attendance on religious Duties, the Rev. Mr. Swinton, the Chaplain of the Priſon, can teſtify that I never neglected Chapel, when my Health would permit me; for I was very ill in Goal, and when ſo, Mr. Swinton conſtantly attended me in my Room. But this not being enough againſt me, it was confidently aſſerted, that I attempted an Eſcape; this occaſioned Orders to have an Iron put on my Leg, which Report the late High Sheriff was convinced was malicious; he therefore in Perſon came and ordered it to be taken off, and promiſed I ſhould not be ſo affronted again. I did not enjoy this Eaſe long, the Sheriff came again, and, with much Reluctance, ordered another heavier Iron to be put on my Leg; he named a noble Lord, at whoſe Inſtance, he ſaid it was done. I told him I calmly ſubmitted to whatever ſhould be done to me, for I always made it my Rule to obey thoſe that were ſet over me.

I will not deny, my Lords, that I did put ſome Powder into my Father's Water-Gruel; no, my Lords, I will not attempt to ſave my Life at the Expence of Truth; and I here ſolemnly proteſt, as I ſhall anſwer it at the great Tribunal, and God knows how ſoon, that I had no evil Intent in putting the Powder into his Water-Gruel; nor did I know it had a poiſonous Quality: It was put in to procure his Love, and not his Death."

Several Witneſſes were called in her Defence; but the King's Council in the Reply obſerved, that the Priſoner had given no Evidence in Contradiction of the Facts eſtabliſhed by the Witneſſes for the Crown: That indeed Ann James and Mary Banks had ſworn to an Expreſſion of Elizabeth Binfield, which, if true, ſerved to ſhew ſome Ill-will in Binfield towards the Priſoner; but that there was ſo material a Contradiction to each other, that he thought they deſerved no manner of Credit. That the other Witneſſes produced by the Priſoner, ſerved only to prove, that Mr. Blandy was a very fond, affectionate, and indulgent Parent, therefore there could be no Pretence for giving him Powder, or any Thing elſe, to promote in him an Affection for his Daughter. That it had come out in the Examinntion of Hearne, one of the Priſoner's own Witneſſes, that once when he was in the Caſtle to viſit her, upon hearing that Cranſton was taken, ſhe broke out into Expreſſions that amounted, he thought, to a full Confeſſion of Guilt. That however the Priſoner's Council might endeavour to explain it away, he was ſure no Man in his Reaſon could underſtand theſe Words otherwiſe than a Confeſſion, 'I am glad the Vil-'lain is taken, that he may receive the Puniſhment he deſerves, as well 'as I.' That if the Jury believed the Priſoner to be innocent, they would take Care to acquit her; but if on the other Hand, they believed her to be guilty, they would take Care to acquit their own Conſciences.

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The Priſoner deſired Leave to ſpeak in Anſwer to what the King's Council had ſaid, which being granted, ſhe ſaid, the Gentleman was miſtaken in thinking the Powders were given to her Father to procure his Affection to her, for that they were given to procure her Father's Love to Mr. Cranſton.

The Judge ſummed up the Evidence in a clear and impartial Manner to the Jury, and they, without going out of Court, brought in their Verdict, Guilty, Death, as before-mentioned.

This unhappy Woman is about thirty-five Years of Age; and tho' not reckoned a Beauty, her Face is agreeable, and her Hair, Eye-Brows, and Eyes, are black. She is of a middle Stature, a genteel Perſon, and a polite Behaviour, as her Father, who was a Gentleman of an exceeding good Character, had beſtowed upon her a very liberal Education, to which her Capacity was adequate. But the old Gentleman was guilty of one Failing, a Failing by which he perhaps imagined he might get his Daughter married into Opulence. He gave out, or encouraged, or did not contradict, a Report, that he was a Man of 10,000 l. Fortune; and, as Miſs was his only Child, ſuch an Eſtate, join'd to her Accompliſhments, could not fail to attract many Suitors. Every Match, however, was broke off, becauſe the Father would advance no Money with his Daughter, but only promiſe that he would leave her his All at his Death, which, when it untimely happened, did not appear to be above a fifth Part of the Sum reported. Such frequent Diſappointments of Miſs's Expectations, and natural Deſires, raiſed her Reſentment, which is ſcarcely to be ſuppoſed her natural good Senſe, joined with ſo good an Education, would have ſuffered to proceed to ſuch a diſmal Extremity, or provoke her to the Perpetration of ſo horrid a Crime, if her Mind had not been totally depraved by the baſe Artifices of an inſidious Seducer, who had won her Affections before ſhe knew or heard that he had been married to another Gentlewoman of a good Family, to whom the Law had compelled him to allow a ſeparate Maintenance.

ALGIERS, January 27.

THE Preſents lately brought hither by two Hamburgh Ships conſiſt of 52 Pieces of Iron Cannon, from 18 to 24 Pounders, with their Carriages, four Mortars, with their Carriages, 10,000 Cannon Balls, 2400 Bombs, 1300 Barrels of Gunpowder, a great Quantity of leaden Shot, 12 Cables from 10 to 15 Inches, 30 Cables from 4 to 9 Inches, beſides a great Quantity of other Cordage, and Plank for Shipping. We expect daily another Ship from Hamburgh, with Maſts and Rigging.

Madrid, Feb. 1. The 24th of laſt Month the Fathers of the Order of Mercy made a ſolemn Proceſſion through the Streets of this City, in which they led three hundred of the Captives lately ranſomed by them in Barbary: Almoſt all the Grandees aſſiſted at the Proceſſion, and the Standard of the Order was carried by the Count de Salduegna, Marqueſs de Caſtelnovo.

Vienna, Feb. 12. Upon Advice that a great Number of Peaſants of ſome Villages in Upper Auſtria had openly made Profeſſion of the Proteſtant Religion, and that many of them had committed Diſorders, tumultuouſly demanding the free Exerciſe of their Religion, or elſe Liberty to leave the Country, the Empreſs has ſent Orders into that Province to proceed according to Law againſt the Rioters, and to make the Reſt ſenſible that the only Way to preſerve her Imperial Majeſty's Favour and Good-Will, is to keep within the Bounds of Duty, &c. As moſt of theſe Peaſants are employed in the Salt-Pits, and are ſo expert in that Work that we cannot do without them, it is thought the Government will grant them ſome Indulgence, in Order to engage them to ſtay at Home.

LONDON,

Feb. 1. As it is demonſtrable that high Duties anſwer no other End than promoting Smuggling, and that ſecuring of ſuch Duties by Oaths only gives an Opportunity to the worſt of Dealers, the Scum of Mankind, to outſtrip the fair conſcientious Trader, it is not doubted but due Regard will be ſhewn to the Complaints of the Merchants and Dealers in a certain Commodity, concerning which egregious Miſtakes have been committed, under Colour of rectifying Abuſes and preventing Frauds: And it is alſo hoped, that the Committee who have already had ſo many Meetings to conſider of a proper Application for Redreſs of Grievances, will reſolutely act on Principles of Honeſty and Common Senſe, and petition for what is lawful, and expedient, and abſolutely neceſſary, without ſuffering themſelves to be bewildered and bamboozled by the ſiniſter Practices and artful Rubs thrown in their Way by a few overgrown ſcabby Sheep and M——l Spies, who may be deſirous of engroſſing the Trade to themſelves, and for that Purpoſe labour to make the Matter worſe under Colour of procuring a Redreſs of the Grievance complained of.—*'Tis not for Mortals to command Succeſs*; but the honeſt Part of the ſaid Committee may do more; *they may deſerve it*, if they obey the Dictates of Reaſon and Conſcience.

Laſt Week the following melancholy Account happened on Board a Ship now in the River: The Mate of the Ship, who had it ſeems a Wife and Family, but who, as he had come off a long Voyage, was excited to deal a little with the Women of the Town; in Conſequence of this he was apprehenſive of his being infected, and went to a young Man of his Acquaintance in the Chirurgical Way, and told him the Story. The Surgeon, by Way of Humbug, perſuaded the poor Fellow that he really was Pox'd, and preſcribed for him: This ſo affected his Spirits, that he took an Opportunity to go on Board the Ship, where there were only two Boys, and hang'd himſelf up. The Boys ſeeing him, were frighted, and got aſhore to tell the News: They met with a Ship-Builder, to whom they related it, who was ſo ſtupid as not to go on Board to cut the Man down, but poſted to a Surgeon's Houſe, and brought one of his Men to bleed him. The Fellow, who came on Purpoſe to bleed him, ſtripped off his Coat, tied up his Arm, and put in the Lancet, without ever having the Preſence of Mind to cut the Man down; and before he found the Miſtake, the poor Fellow was quite dead. Thus to the Stupidity of theſe People did this unhappy Man owe his Fate; and if from Humbugging ſuch dangerous Conſequences enſue, it is Pity but that the Term itſelf was reprobated, and they who practiſe this faſhionable Lying, branded with the moſt ſtigmatizing Marks of Infamy.

Feb. 2. Among other Remarks that have been made upon ſo copious a Subject as Tobacco, there are ſome, that if ſufficiently conſider'd, muſt certainly be allow'd ſtrong Motives for Indulgence, in favour of that Commodity, viz. That it is in a more particular Manner our own, than almoſt any other that is brought from the Plantations: That all the Profits accruing from the Cultivation of Tobacco, become, in the End, the Profit of Great-Britain; and that, whatever Objections are taken to the Conduct of other Plantations, the dutiful and induſtrious Behaviour of thoſe who inhabit the Tobacco Colonies, was never call'd in Queſtion.

When Mr. John Coan, the Norfolk Dwarf, who is now to be ſeen at the Watch-maker's facing the Cannon-Tavern, Charing-Croſs, was at Leiceſter-Houſe, and had the Honour of being introduced to their Royal Highneſſes, he repeated the following Lines:

Behold, moſt gracious Princes! at your Feet,
In Miniature, a Man of Form complete:
If, honour'd thus, too blithly I behave,
Oh pardon at this Time your little Slave,
Who inward bleſſes his peculiar Fate
That made him ſmall, to pleaſure you ſo great.
Let others boaſt their Stature, or their Birth,
This glorious Truth ſhall fill my Soul with Mirth,
That I now am, and hope for Years ſhall ſing,
The ſmalleſt Subject of the greateſt King.

Notwithſtanding the ſeemingly plauſible Objections of impertinent Cavillers and Pigmy Politicians, we have the Pleaſure to find it allow'd by moſt candid, ſenſible Men, that it is indifferent where Reformations begin, whether with Superiors or Inferiors: That ſuppoſing it to begin with the latter, (the former ſtill reſerving to themſelves the Liberty of doing what is judged unlawful or inexpedient in the others) it may in due Time anſwer all the good Purpoſes of a general Plan of Reformation; for if the lower and middling Claſſes can be brought into Order, reduced to Sobriety, Honeſty and Induſtry, and the reſt, who are but few in Compariſon, go on in their old Courſes, it is demonſtrable that theſe muſt in the long Run change Conditions with them, as Virtue, Sobriety, and Induſtry, cannot fail of obtaining the Maſtery over Riot, Prophaneneſs, Luxury, Gaming, and Extravagance; eſpecially in States where the Commonalty have any Rights and Privileges, or Share in publick Affairs.

By private Letters from Paris we learn, that the Britiſh Commiſſaries are again put to a Stand by a new Piece of French Chicanery: When they had hit upon a tolerable expedient for ſettling the Limits between the two Crowns in America, the French Commiſſaries then intimated, that they muſt inquire into the Validity of Prizes made during the War, and ſettle this Point before they terminated the Affair of the Limits; and the Engliſh having agreed to enter upon this Inquiry, the others have at laſt declared, that they mean to include all Captures made on both Sides from the Date of England's Declaration of War againſt Spain to the Time of her declaring War againſt France, which makes four Years and five Months; in which Space of Time, they ſay, the Engliſh illegally made Prize of many French Veſſels, under Pretext of their having contraband Goods, or other Merchandize on Board, conſigned to the Spaniards. In Concluſion they tell us, that the Britiſh Court does not ſeem inclined to take into the Account the Captures made in the above Space of Time, but do not ſay whether their Court is diſpoſed to drop this new Demand.

We hear that two Regiments of Foot will embark early in the Spring, for the important Fortreſs of Gibraltar; and that it is believed a Detachment will be ſent from thence to take Poſſeſſion of the Iſland of Tabarca, upon the Coaſt of Barbary; which is ſaid to have been lately purchaſed from the Moors, and which was formerly in the Hands of the Genoeſe.

We hear, that Thomas Sheridan, Eſq; Manager of the Theatre Royal, in Dublin, intends to give a Benefit Play, the Profits of which are to go towards erecting a Monument of publick Gratitude to that true Patriot and great Genius, the late Dr. Jonathan Swift, D. S. P. D. which laudable Example, it is hoped, will encourage all Lovers of Ireland to ſet on Foot a Subſcription for that Purpoſe.

Account of the late Earthquake in the Iſland of Hiſpaniola, or St. Domingo, from the French Relation.

On Oct. 18 laſt, about 2 in the Afternoon, in the cleareſt Sunſhine, and calmeſt Weather, the Earth ſhook violently; a Steeple was thrown down, and a few Houſes demoliſhed in the French Part of the Iſland; but in the Spaniſh Part, ſeveral Convents and Churches were thrown down in the City of St. Domingo; a Spaniſh Village, called Baniquo, was entirely ſwallowed up, and a Sort of ſaltiſh Lake appeared in its Place; a Volcano opened within 20 Leagues of Domingo, ejecting Fire and Smoke.—— Nov. 21, about 8 in the Morning, during a profound Calm, was felt a ſlight Shock, which increaſed to ſuch Violence that almoſt all the Stone Houſes at Prince's Port were thrown down, and the Timber Houſes ſtood but little longer; in the Plain called Cul de Sac, Sugar Mills and refining Houſes were thrown down, Apertures were made in the Ground, whence iſſued fetid Springs; the Tops of three Mountains crumbled away, and choaked up a River, which has ſince taken another Courſe; in the Plain near the Cape above 25,000 Pots of Sugar, &c. were broken and buried under the Ruins; in the Diſtrict of Fort Dauphin many Sugar Works and Dwelling Houſes were deſtroy'd. The Conſternation of the People is inexpreſſible, moſt of the Inhabitants of the Towns paſs the Night in the Fields, the Value of Plantations is falling away, and every Body talks of returning to France.

Feb. 14. A Scheme which has lately been propoſed to the Conſideration of the Public, for breaking on the Wheel all Murderers, has been warmly received and agitated amongſt many Perſons of Diſtinction, who form Part of the Legiſlature; and we hear that a Clauſe will be added to it, which will prove very eſſential towards its producing a good Effect, and that is, that all the little Felons, who, when a Criminal is to ſuffer, are confin'd in neighbouring Goals, ſhould be brought out under a ſtrong Guard, to witneſs the Execution, and by ſeeing the Tortures of the Delinquent, they may be terrified into Obedience of the Law; for thoſe low Criminals are not ſufficiently deterr'd from the Dread of Hanging, as they have imbibed the Notion that it is an eaſy Death.

March 3. On Sunday there was a very great Court at St. James's, and it being St. David's Day, the tutelar Saint of Wales, the Royal Family wore Leeks in Honour of the Day.

This Day being appointed for the Celebration of his Majeſty's Birth-Day, (which has been poſtpon'd ſo long on Account of the late melancholy Mournings) his Majeſty received the Compliments of the Nobility, &c. at St. James's; and the following Ode, compos'd by Colley Cibber, Eſq; was perform'd in the Council Chamber:

ODE

ODE *for his* Majeſty's BIRTH-DAY, 1751.

Recitative and Air, by Mr. WASS.

TO Cæſar thus blith Albion ſings,
Her beſt belov'd, her beſt of Kings:
Auſpicious ever be the Morn,
When Glory dawn'd on Cæſar born!
To pay him, warm in lofty Lays,
For Bleſſings paſt, unbounded Praiſe,
Would faintly ſpeak the grateful Fire,
Which his Paternal Cares inſpire.

Recit. and Air, by Mr. SAVAGE.

Behold! with what revolving Zeal,
He meditates our future Weal.
Warning to guard a minor King
(As far as human Preſcience can)
From the Diſtreſſes Youth might bring,
Ere growing Virtue form the Man.
Dark! dreadful Period! hence be far!
Thou draw'ſt an unborn Grief too near:
But from the Spring of diſtant Woes
This healing Royal Virtue flows.

Duet, by Mr. BEARD *and Mr.* SAVAGE.

Preſerve him, Heav'n! reward his Care,
And make Maturity his Heir;
Nor let his glorious Reign expire,
'Til, in the Son, ſurvives the Sire.

Recit. and Air, by Mr. SAVAGE.

Then let a GEORGE from GEORGE ariſe,
To gild with linial Beams our Skies;
As round th' expanded Courſe of Heav'n
Bright Suns ſucceeding Suns are driven:
If higher Joy, kind Heaven would give,
Long, longer ſtill muſt Cæſar live.

Recit. and Air, by Mr. BEARD.

Happy Albion! Envy'd Iſle!
Bleſt with Heav'n and Nature's Smile.
Enrich'd and fenc'd by ambient Seas,
Greateſt ſure of Kings is he,
Glorious in ſublime Degree,
Whom ſmiling Liberty obeys.

CHORUS.

If higher Joy kind Heav'n would give,
Long, longer ſtill muſt Cæſar live.

March 5. Tueſday there was the greateſt Court at St. James's that has been known for ſeveral Years, when his Majeſty received the Compliments of the Nobility, foreign Miniſters, &c. as it was the Day kept for his Majeſty's Birth-Day. His Royal Highneſs the Prince of Wales went in a very grand Coach contrived in an entirely new Taſte, and made on Purpoſe to add Luſtre to that joyful Occaſion. His Royal Highneſs was dreſſed in a Scarlet Velvet Coat with Blue Velvet Cuffs, and both enriched with a broad and narrow Silver Lace: His Waſtecoat was alſo of Blue Velvet. All the Streets leading to St. James's were ſo full of Coaches, that it was difficult to get to St. James's-Gate; as were all the Courts and Paſſages in the Court with the Ladies Sedans.

The Ball at Night was the moſt ſplendid that has been known for many Years His Majeſty came into the Ball-Room ſoon after Nine o'Clock, when the Ball was opened by the Prince of Wales, and Princeſs Auguſta, the Duke of Cumberland and Prince Edward likewiſe danced Minuets. The Royal Family withdrew about Twelve. And the Ball ended ſoon after.

WILLIAMSBURG, May 15.

A Perſon who calls himſelf by the Name of *John Keef*, and has lived in this City for ſome Months paſt, as a Painter, having offered to diſpoſe of three *Dublin* Bank-Notes, of conſiderable Value, to a Gentleman here, it was ſuſpected from ſeveral Circumſtances, that he did not come honeſtly by them. Information being made to the Governor, His Honour ordered Search to be made for the ſaid Bills, which were found at the ſaid *Keef*'s Lodgings, as alſo His Majeſty's Commiſſion to *Paul Leonard Craddock*, Coronet of the *Scotch Greys*, under the Earl of *Stair*, ſigned *Carteret*. *Keef* being out of Town, a Meſſenger was ſent for him, who return'd with him the next Day, and he is now confined in the Public Goal. One of the Bills is for 506 *l.* payable to Miſs *Catherine O'Brien*, or Bearer, ſigned by *Richard Brewer*, for *John Wilcox* and *John Dawſon*, the other two Bills, one of which is for 506 *l.* and the other for 500 *l.* are ſigned in the ſame Manner, and payable to the Bearer, all dated at *Dublin*, in 1749.

Keef came to *Virginia*, ſometime in the Year 1750, in the *Dutcheſs of Queenſbury*, Capt. *Dixon*, as an indented Servant: He told the Ship's Company when he came on Board, that he was an Officer in the Army, that he was going to be married to a young Lady, Miſs *Catherine O'Brien*, but ſome of her Relations interpoſing, he wounded one of them, and was obliged to fly, a Reward of 500 *l.* being offered for apprehending him.—— On his Examination, he made no other Defence, than inſiſting that the Bills were his Property, having receiv'd them of Miſs *O'Brien*, for a valuable Conſideration. He is a Man of a middle Stature, very much pock-fretten, ſtammers in his Speech, and has a down Look; as it is not doubted, he uſed ſome unlawful Means to procure theſe Bills, 'tis hoped the Truth of the whole Affair will come to Light, before his Releaſment.

The *Baltimore*, *Edward Randolph*, the *Bobby*, *Cooke*, from *London*, the *Planter*, *Wright*, and the *Duke of Cumberland*, *Walker*, from *Briſtol*, the *Donald*, *Andrew*; and the *Robert*, *Watſon*, from *Glaſgow*; are arrived in *James* River.

To the Virginia ZOILUS, *alias* Walter Dymocke:

A FULL and complete Anſwer to all his elaborate Criticiſms on the *Virginia* PINDAR, auſpiciouſly begun *March* 1, *i. e.* on *Sunday*, and thence continued with the Intermiſſion of ſix Days, and *to be continued*-----" even to the Dreggs and "Squeezings of his Brain," as an Amuſement from the Drudgery of Devotion.

" Critics on Verſe, as *Squibs* on Triumphs wait,
" Proclaim the Glory, and augment the State;
" Hot, envious, noiſy, proud, the ſcribling Fry
" Burn, hiſs and bounce, waſte Paper, ſtink and die.
" Rail on, my Friend! What more my Verſe can crown
" Than *H*------'s Smile, and your *obliging* Frown?"

April 30, 1752.

By the Honourable ROBERT DINWIDDIE, Eſq; His Majeſty's Lieutenant Governor, and Commander in Chief, of the Colony and Dominion of *Virginia*:

To the ſeveral Sheriffs therein. ——

WHEREAS I am informed, by the Officers of His Majeſty's Revenue, That many of the Sheriffs have of late Years failed to ſettle for, and diſcharge the Quit-rents due to His Majeſty, in proper Time;

I DO therefore, hereby, require and command you, That you collect the ſaid Quit-rents, according to the late publiſhed Inſtructions, and pay the ſame to the Receiver General, from Time to Time, as often and as ſoon as may be, that he may be exchanging it for Bills for His Majeſty's Uſe; and that you fail not to attend the Auditor, with Two fair Copies of your Rent-rolls, preſently after your ſeveral Courts, in Auguſt at fartheſt; requiring that as many as can, will take Care to complete it ſooner; and that none will preſume to put it off to the Time of the General Court, when all concerned will be too buſy to attend it. Herein you are not to fail. Given at Williamſburg, the 14th Day of May, 1752.

ROBERT DINWIDDIE.

Williamſburg, May 12th, 1752.

WHEREAS the General Aſſembly have, by a late Act, appointed certain of their Members, to contract with an Undertaker, for an Addition to be made to the Eaſt End of the Church here, to make that End of equal Length from the Wings as the Weſt End;

This is therefore to adverti ſe all Perſons, that may incline to undertake the ſame, to attend with their Propoſals here on *Wedneſday* the 10th of *June*, being the Day after the next *Oyer* and *Terminer* Court; at which Time the Gentlemen appointed will (it is hoped) be ready to make the Contract. And in the mean Time, by applying to me, they may be informed of the Particulars of what is required to be done, ſo as to enable them to make their Eſtimates.

John Blair.

A Gentleman, who is in Want of a Clerk, may hear of a Perſon who is willing to be employed as ſuch, by enquiring of the Printer.

JAMES CRAIG, *Jeweller, in* WILLIAMSBURG,

HAS juſt imported a new Aſſortment of Silver Work: Likewiſe Diamonds, Amethiſts, &c. of great Value; and will ſupply Gentlemen with Diamond, Mourning, or other Rings, very reaſonably, with all Expedition, for ready Money only.

Juſt IMPORTED, and to be Sold, by the Subſcriber, in Williamſburg,

A FRESH Aſſortment of Medicines, chymical and galenical; as alſo, *Bateman*'s Drops, *Stoughton*'s, *Squire*'s, and *Daffey*'s Elixirs, *Turlington*'s Balſam of Life, Univerſal Balſam, *Anderſon*'s and *Lockyer*'s Pills, *French* and Pearl Barleys, Oatmeal, white and brown Sugar-candys, Copperas, Salt-petre, Ginger, Black Pepper, Alliſpice, Cinnamon, Mace, Cloves, and Nutmegs, *Hungary* Water, Barley Sugar, Carraway-Comfits, Scotch Snuff, Annodyne Necklaces, preſerv'd Citron, Smelling-Bottles with and without Caſes, Phials, Gallipots, Corks, Crucibles, *Spaniſh* Liquorice, beſt white Wine Vinegar, in ſmall Cags or Jugs, &c. &c. &c.

Peter Hay.

Frederickſburg, May 8, 1752.

Juſt IMPORTED, in the Ship Rachel, *Captain* Armſtrong, *from* London,

A CHOICE Parcel of Drugs and Medicines, *Bateman*'s and *Stoughton*'s Drops, *Turlington*'s Balſam of Life, *Godfrey*'s Cordial, Univerſal Balſam, *Lockyer*'s, *Anderſon*'s, and *Hooper*'s Female Pills, *Greenough*'s Tincture for the Scurvy in the Gums, *Eaton*'s Balſamick Styptick, *James*'s Fever Powder, *Durham*'s ſuperfine Flower of Muſtard, *Florence* and fine Eating Oil, Preſerves of different Kinds, Waſh-Balls, Pap-Glaſſes, &c. To be ſold, for ready Money or ſhort Credit, at a very reaſonable Advance, by

John Sutherland.

To be SOLD, very reaſonably,

A TRACT of Land, containing 468 Acres; about ſix Miles from *Meriwether*'s, and ſeven from *Page*'s Warehouſe, well wooded and watered, and Plenty of fencing Stuff, two good Tobacco Houſes, and a Corn Houſe, with an Apple and a Peach Orchard, Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe, may know the Terms, by applying to Mr. *John Thompſon* near *Newcaſtle*, or the Subſcriber near *Ground-Squirrel* Bridge, in *Hanover* County.

Farqu'har Matheſon.

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *Hanover* County, about 18 Miles from *Page*'s Warehouſe, containing about 1000 Acres, more or leſs: There are three Plantations on the ſaid Land, with very good Buildings. The Terms may be known, by applying to the Subſcriber, on the Premiſſes.

t. f. *John Winn.*

May 9, 1752.

STOLEN, or ſtray'd, from the Subſcriber's Plantation, in *Culpeper*, near the *Dutch* Church, about twelve Months ago, a large Bay Horſe, about 14 Hands high, has a few white Hairs in his Forehead, his Mouth and Flanks are of a light Brown, he paces a little, and canters chiefly, being full of Courage, branded on his near Buttock I C. He was bred with Mr. *Jonathan Coberan*, on the South Branch of *Patowmack*.

Alſo ſtolen, or ſtray'd, from *Fitzhugh*'s Quarter, near *Strother*'s Ferry, in *King-George* County, laſt *October*, a grey Horſe, about 13 Hands high, his Mane and Tail darker than his Body, and has a hollow Part on his Back, near his Withers occaſioned by a ſore Part which was cut out; he paces a little, but chiefly canters and trots, and is branded on his near Buttock and Shoulder W H. He was ſuppos'd to be ſtolen, or rode away by one *Luke Powell*, a wooden Legg'd Miller, who left theſe Parts about that Time, and went towards *Hobbs*'s-*Hole*.

Whoever will take up and convey them to me, in *Frederickſburg*, or to my Overſeer, in *Culpeper* County, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward for the firſt mentioned Horſe, and a Piſtole and Half for the other.

4 *William Lynn.*

May 5, 1752.

STRAY'D from *Williamſburg*, a likely Bay Horſe, with a hanging Mane, and Switch Tail, he has Marks of Chair Harneſs on his Breaſt, his Brand unknown, he trots well. Whoever brings him to Mr. *John Dixon*, in *Williamſburg*, or to the Subſcriber in *Frederickſburg*, ſhall receive a Reward ſuitable to their Trouble.

Roger Dixon.

TAKEN up at my Plantation in *Spotſylvania*, Two Bay Horſes, with Stars in their Foreheads, branded on the near Buttock with a Diamond, and on the off Shoulder R; they are about 4 Feet and a half high, and had ſome Marks as if they had been uſed to a Draught. The Owner may have them of the Subſcriber, in *King-William* County, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Thomas Moore.

Virginia,

Virginia, ſs.

At a General Court, held at the Court-Houſe, in Williamſburg, *on the 2d Day of* May, 1752.

William Ivy, and *Samuel Bouſh*, Jun. Gentlemen, Churchwardens, of the Pariſh of *Elizabeth* River, in the County of *Norfolk*, Plaintiffs, Againſt *Edward Hebblethwaite*, *John Gibbons*, and *James Mitchel*, Defendants, } In Chancery.

THE Defendant Edward, *being beyond Sea, and not having entered his Appearance, according to the Rules of this Court*, It is Ordered, on the Motion of the Plaintiffs, by their Council, That the other Defendants, *who have Effects of the ſaid Defendant* Edward, *in their Hands, as is ſuggeſted, do not pay, convey away, or ſecrete ſuch Effects, until the further Order or Decree of this Court; but, that they deliver up ſuch Effects, or ſo much thereof as will be ſufficient to ſatisfy the Demands of the Plaintiffs, unto the ſaid Plaintiffs, upon their giving Security unto the Clerk of this Court, for the Return of the ſaid Effects, in ſuch Manner, and to ſuch Perſons as the Court ſhall hereafter adjudge.*

And, It is further Ordered, That the ſaid Defendant Edward, *do appear here on the firſt Day of the next Court, to anſwer the Bill of the Plaintiffs; and that a Copy of this Order be, within fifteen Days, inſerted in the* Virginia Gazette, *for two Months ſucceſſively; and publiſhed on ſome Lord's Day, immediately after Divine Service, in the Churches of Yorkhampton Pariſh; and be alſo poſted up at the Door of the Court-Houſe, in the City of* Williamſburg.

A Copy. Benjamin Waller, *Cl. Gen. Court.*

Hanover, May 7, 1752.

AS I intend for *England* in a ſhort Time, all Perſons who are indebted to me are deſired to pay off their reſpective Ballances, and thoſe to whom I am indebted, to bring in their Accounts, and receive Payment,

Samuel Giſt.

Williamſburg, May 10, 1752.

THE Subſcriber intending to ſail for *Great-Britain* ſometime next Month, deſires all Perſons who are indebted to him, to pay off their reſpective Ballances, and thoſe to whom he is indebted, to bring in their Accounts, and receive Payment.

John Dixon.

May 9, 1752.

STOLEN out of *Ware* Church, in *Gloceſter* County, ſometime laſt Week, the Communion Table and Pulpit Cloths, of crimſon Velvet, double lac'd with Gold; alſo the Surplice and Gown. Whoever will bring them whole to the Churchwardens of the ſaid Pariſh, or diſcover the Thief, ſo that he be convicted thereof, ſhall receive Ten Pounds Reward, to be paid by the Churchwardens of the ſaid Pariſh.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living on *Blackwater*, in *Surry* County, a Bay Mare, branded on the near Buttock T, a ſmall white Star in her Forehead, and one of her hind Feet white, 4 Feet high, and ſuppos'd to be about 4 Years old. The Owner may have her, on paying as the Law directs.

3‖ *John Key.*

To be SOLD, and Delivered, at the Subſcriber's Warehouſe and Bakehouſe, on Ware *River*, Mobjack *Bay.*

ANY large Quantities of fine Flour, Ship, and Midling Biſket, in well-ſeaſon'd Caſks fit for Exportation. Alſo fineſt Milk Biſket, in ſmall Cags. From thoſe whom it does not ſuit to pay Caſh, Payment will be taken in Rum, Sugar, or Melaſſes, and Diſpatch given to any Veſſels that come to load. Terms may be known, by applying to Mr. *Pride* in *York*-Town, or from

Francis Willis.

To be Sold, on the 14th Day of July *next, at* Prince-George *Court-Houſe, being Court-Day,*

ALL the Lots and Lands belonging to the Eſtate of the Reverend *Robert Ferguſon*, deceas'd, by Virtue of a Power of Attorney from the Heir of the ſaid *Ferguſon* to *Andrew Sprowle*, Merchant, in *Norfolk*, who will grant Deeds to the Purchaſer, and give Security if required. Six Months Credit will be allowed, the Purchaſer giving good Security.

RAN away from the Subſcriber, living in *Gloceſter* County, on the 5th Day of *April* laſt, a *Scotch* Servant Man, named *Alexander Clerk*; he is of a middle Stature, freſh Complexion, and had on when he went away, a dark brown Wig, a Felt Hat, a blue Waſtecoat and Breeches, Kerſey or coarſe Cloth, large Coat-ſleeves to the Waſtecoat, a white and check'd Shirt, and took with him two Razors; he cannot read.

Whoever apprehends and ſecures him, ſo that I may have him again, ſhall have Two Piſtoles Reward, beſides what the Law allows.

Francis Willis.

N. B. 'Tis ſuppoſed he will endeavour to get on Board ſome Ship.

Williamſburg, May 4, 1752.

STRAY'D from the Subſcriber, about two Months ago, a Bay Horſe, about 14 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock B, has ſeveral Saddle-Spots on his Back, paces ſlow, and was very poor when he ſtray'd away. Alſo ſtray'd away laſt *Sunday* Se'nnight, a Bay Mare, about 14 & a half or 15 Hands high, with a Blaze on her Face, one of her fore Feet white, ſhe trots, and was very big with Foal when ſhe went away. They are ſuppoſed to have made towards *Shenando*, from whence they were bought.

Whoever brings them to me, ſhall have a Piſtole Reward, for each, paid by

t. f. *James Cocke.*

MY *Engliſh* Horſe, *Traveller*, will continue to cover Mares 'til the laſt Day of *June*, at Four Piſtoles a ſingle Leap; and Eight Guineas to get a Foal.

Joſeph Morton.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Louiſa* County, a ſmall grey Flea-bitten Horſe, about twelve Hands and an Inch high, branded on the near Shoulder and Buttock R with a Croſs through it. He has been poſted and appraiſed according to Law, The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Samuel Dolton.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, in *Amelia* County, a Steer of a red Colour, with ſome white Hairs intermix'd, about 5 Years old, has both Ears crop'd, and an Underkeel in the Right. The Owner may have him on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

3‖ *Abraham Bedel.*

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, in *Spotſylvania* County, 6 Head of Cattle, 4 Steers, 1 Heifer, and 1 Yearling, *viz.* 1 Brindle Steer with white Legs, mark'd with a Crop, Slit, and Hole, in the right Ear, and a Crop and Underkeel in the Left; 2 red and white, with the ſame Mark; 1 red and white ſpotted Steer, mark'd with a Crop and Hole in the right Ear, and a Crop and Underkeel in the Left; 1 black and white Heifer, mark'd with a Crop and Hole in the right Ear, and a Crop and Underkeel in the Left; and 1 Yearling, unmark'd, which came of a Heifer of the ſame Mark ſince dead. The Owners may have them of me, on proving their Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Feb. 4, 1752. 3‖ *William Miller.*

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Amelia* County, a Bay Horſe, 4 Feet 2 Inches high, his Brand reſembling a D, has ſome Saddle Spots on each Side of his Back, and a Wen on his off Leg.

Alſo a Black Horſe, with ſome white Hairs on his Ears, about 4 Years old, 4 Feet 4 Inches high, dock'd, and branded IW.

The Owners may have the ſaid Horſes of me, near *Beville's* Bridge, in the ſaid County, on proving their Property, and paying as the Law directs.

3‖ *Abraham Burton.*

April 28, 1752.

I INTEND to diſpoſe of ſeveral convenient Lots of Ground, adjoining, and near the Town of *Frederickſburg*, at the lower End thereof. Whoever are inclinable to purchaſe any of the ſaid Lots may know the Terms, according to their Situation, by applying to

Roger Dixon.

BEING prevented carrying on my Buſineſs as uſual, by an Arreſt for a Debt not juſtly my own. I hereby give Notice, That I have taken into Partnerſhip with me *Edward Charlton*, late from *London*, who will carry on the Buſineſs, at my Shop, next Door to the *Raleigh* Tavern, in *Williamſburg*. Gentlemen, who pleaſe to favour us with their Orders for Wigs, *&c.* may depend on being well and expeditiouſly ſerv'd, and oblige Their very humble Servant,

Richard Gamble.

N. B. All Perſons who are indebted to me, are deſired to pay the ſame to Mr. *Alexander Finnie*, who is properly impowered for that Purpoſe.

April, 25, 1752.

STRAY'D, laſt Night, from the Paſture of Mr. *Henry Wetherburn*, in *Williamſburg*, two light-grey Horſes, about 14 Hands high, with hanging Manes, and Switch Tails, one of them branded on the near Buttock ○, the other not branded, but pretty much Flea-bitten about the Head and Shoulders; and the Hair on their Sides rubbed off with Chair Harneſs. Whoever will bring the ſaid Horſes to Mr. *Henry Wetherburn*, aforeſaid, or give Intelligence, ſo that I may have them again, ſhall receive a Piſtole Reward, paid by *James Baker.*

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, near *Williamſburg*, in *York* County, a ſmall Iron-grey Gelding, about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock with a Stroke, his Mane has ſome Time ago been trimm'd, and is grown out about 6 Inches long, with a ſhort bob Tail. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Nathaniel Crawley, Sen.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, in *Culpepper* County, and poſted and appraiſed according to Law, a large Bay Mare, with a black Mane and Tail, branded on the off Buttock C, and has a Crop in her left Ear. The Owner may have her, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

Thomas Covington.

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, in *Orange* County, a ſmall bright Bay Horſe, branded on the off Buttock with a Heart, has a ſmall Star in his Forehead, and a few white Hairs on his Noſe, has formerly had a Fiſtula, he has on a large Bell, mark'd in large Letters TM, and has been in theſe Parts ever ſince *September* laſt. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

3‖ *Thomas Newman.*

TAKEN up by the Subſcriber, living in *Hanover* County, a ſmall white Horſe, branded on the near Buttock with a Croſs. The Owner may have him of me, on proving his Property, and paying as the Law directs.

‖ *James Norvell.*

LEFT with the Subſcriber, in *York* Town, a Silver Watch, which I will deliver to any Perſon on proving their Property, and paying the Watchmaker's Charge, and the Charge of this Advertiſement.

4 *James Mitchell.*

To be SOLD,

A TRACT of Land, lying in *James-City* County, within 2 Miles of *Fornea's* Ordinary, containing One Thouſand Six Hundred Acres. Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe it, may know the Terms by applying to the Subſcriber, living in *King-William* County. t. f. *Thomas Chamberlayne.*

Stafford County, *March 2, 1752.*

AS I have near 30,000 Acres of extraordinary good freſh Land, in *Fairfax* and *Prince William*, which I would willingly rent out to honeſt Tenants, I have impowered Mr. *John Weſt*, jun. at the Town of *Alexandria* (or *Belhaven*) in *Fairfax*, to ſhew the Lands and agree on the Terms, with ſuch Perſons as apply to him to rent the ſame, for three Lives, or 21 Years, and hereby engage myſelf, and my Heirs, to perform whatever Agreements he enters into on that Account.

t. f. *John Mercer.*

To be SOLD, by the Subſcriber, living in Prince George *County, on the Premiſſes, on the ſecond* Monday *in* Auguſt *next, to the higheſt Bidder, for ready Money,*

FOURTEEN Hundred Acres of Land, containing both valuable high and low Grounds, affords good Water, good Paſturage, and is well-timbered with large Oak, Pine and Poplar, whereon are three good Plantations, in good Order for Cropping; and the Manor Plantation is a very handſome Situation, with the following Conveniencies, viz. One Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 25, containing 4 Rooms aud 4 Cloſets, with two Brick Chimneys, plaiſter'd and White-waſh'd; alſo another Dwelling-houſe, 38 by 18, with a Stack of Chimnies in the Middle, two Rooms on a Floor, and a large Cloſet, plaiſtered and white-waſh'd, a good Dairy, Meat-houſe, Smoak-houſe, Kitchen, Quarter, Spinning-houſe, with a Brick Chimney, one 40 and one 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, a large well-fix'd Store, with ſeveral other convenient Houſes and Orchards; and on each of the other Plantations are two 32 Feet Tobacco Houſes, an Overſeer's Houſe, and Negro Quarters; likewiſe Orchards, and good Water.

21 *Thomas Eldridge.*

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